

KING COUNTY MEDICAL EPIDEMIOLOGIST

SENIOR STAFF PHYSICIAN

Public Health- Seattle & King County
Prevention Division

Communicable Disease Control, Epidemiology & Immunization Section Annual Salary Range \$ 107,430.96 - \$136,174.69 Job Announcement No: 03RM3218

OPEN: 2/26/03 CLOSE: Open Until Filled

WHO MAY APPLY: This Term Limited Temporary (TLT) position is open to qualified candidates.

WHERE TO APPLY: Required forms and materials must be sent to: Employment Services, 999 3rd
Avenue, Suite 1230, Seattle, WA 98104. Applications materials must be received by 4:30 p.m. on the closing date. (Postmarks are NOT ACCEPTED.) Contact David Bibus at (206) 296-7442 for further inquiries.

PLEASE NOTE: Applications not received at the location specified above may not be processed.

FORMS AND MATERIALS REQUIRED: A <u>King County application form, data sheet</u>, resume and letter of interest detailing your background and describing how you meet or exceed the requirements are required.

WORK LOCATION: Wells Fargo Center, 999 3rd Avenue, Suite 900, Seattle, WA 98104.

WORK SCHEDULE: This full time TLT position is exempt from the provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act, and is not overtime eligible. The workweek is normally Monday through Friday, 8am-5pm.

DURATION: This Term-Limited Temporary position is benefit eligible and has an expiration date of December 31, 2005. Position may be extended depending on funding.

PRIMARY JOB FUNCTIONS MAY INCLUDE:

Position Summary:

This position will support and back-up the Communicable Disease Control, Epidemiology and Immunization Section Disease Control Officer (DCO) in providing overall epidemiological and medical direction to the following programs: Communicable Disease Control And Epidemiology, Immunization Program, Bioterrorism-Related Activities and HIV/AIDS Epidemiology. The position will be responsible for oversight of and/or technical consultation related to specific projects in Section as determined by the DCO. The position has professional clinical responsibilities requiring a M.D. degree and MPH or related degree or equivalent experience.

- 1. Develop, review, revise and implement protocols and procedures for assigned programs.
- 2. Provide relevant consultative medical advice to health care providers on management of communicable diseases and other conditions of public health significance.
- Assist staff in the design, implementation and evaluation of programs.
- 4. Review clinical standards and develop prevention and treatment protocols and guidelines.
- 5. Identify data needed to guide and evaluate public health programs.
- 6. Set goals and objectives for research studies or disease surveillance systems.

- 7. Develop applications for new competitive research grants and write renewals and reports to funding agencies.
- 8. Design, implement, and evaluate epidemiologic research and disease surveillance systems. Serve as principal investigator on Section projects.
- 9. Report relevant information and research findings via scientific publications, reports, lectures, seminars, press releases, planning documents and community meetings.
- 10. Supervise Section staff.
- 11. Assist in the development and maintenance of project budgets.
- 12. Conduct epidemiologic analysis, including the identification of projections and trends in health outcomes, risk profiles and risk factors of specific communities, program impacts on health objectives and risk behaviors, and the natural history of diseases of public health importance.
- 13. Interpret data in light of current medical, epidemiologic, health services, and public health practice knowledge and research, to identify and prioritize key health issues and consult with health planners and other public health officials to guide policy-making and the development of effective disease intervention programs. Coordinate the dissemination of data and data analysis.
- 14. Function as a technical liaison to other organizations collaborating with Public Health and in the context of disease control activities.
- 15. Advise health department administrators and other health officials regarding clinical aspects of public health interventions.
- 16. Use medical judgment in analysis of complex and comprehensive clinical data.

OTHER JOB FUNCTIONS:

Upon request, conduct lectures and training for health care providers and trainees in health professions and public health.

Provide training for visiting scholars and preceptorships for graduate students in public health fields.

Provide peer review on scientific literature prior to publication.

Participate in public health planning and policy meetings. Represent the health department on advisory committees.

Make public presentations representing the health department on a wide range of health issues.

Perform related duties as required.

QUALIFICATIONS:

<u>Education:</u> M.D. degree from an accredited medical school and a Master's degree in public health, epidemiology, biostatistics or related field or equivalent experience.

Experience: At least two years of progressively responsible experience in epidemiologic research, biostatistics or public health field with at least one year of responsible supervisory experience.

Board certification or eligible board certification is a requirement.

Knowledge of current epidemiologic and public health principles and practices with particular expertise in infectious diseases and communicable disease control.

Knowledge of regulations and laws relating to medical practice, legal documentation and medical records release of information.

Knowledge of diagnostic, treatment and prescriptive authority of medical doctor.

Knowledge of patient care services.

Knowledge of research design and data analysis.

Knowledge of biohazard and chemical hazard guidelines.

Knowledge of policy and procedure development.

Excellent problem-solving skills, analytical skills, teaching skills, facilitation skills, and organization skills.

Skill in working with diverse populations and cultures.

Skill in maintaining effective working relationship with the community and other social service agencies.

Knowledge of current literature, trends, and-developments in the field of communicable disease epidemiology and public health.

Familiarity with electronic disease surveillance methods.

Ability to:

Oversee multiple ongoing projects in an environment of changing priorities and pressing deadlines.

Evaluate medical data (e.g., causes of death and hospitalization) and interpret a broad range of health data.

Establish and maintain satisfactory work relationships with department directors, co-workers, participating agencies, funding agencies, and the public. Meet other government officials and representatives to the public and to discuss problems and complaints tactfully, courteously and effectively.

Plan, assign, supervise and evaluate the work of subordinates.

Communicate clearly and concisely in person and in writing on both technical and non-technical levels.

Provide advice and serve as liaison with various medical and public health specialists on a wide range of clinical and medical issues.

DESIRED QUALIFICATIONS:

- An appointment with the University of Washington School of Public Health or School of Medicine and the associated teaching hospitals.
- Epidemic Intelligence Service Officer training or equivalent experience.

NECESSARY SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS: Current medical license in Washington State. Washington State Driver's License; board certified or board eligible. The selected candidate must pass a thorough background investigation.

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